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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OGEN  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL - INFORMAL

1. FOR AMBASSADOR: THE WESTMINSTER GROUP (ATLANTA-BASED CHOIR) FOR WHICH YOU HAD ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED SPASO CONCERT FOR JUNE 16, WILL NOW BE HERE JUNE 21 THROUGH 23. YOU ARE GIVING A DINNER ON THE 21ST AND ARE TENTATIVELY PLANNING NOVOSIBIRSK TRIP JUNE 22-24 J WHICH LEAVES NO TIME FOR A RECEPTION FOR WESTMINSTER. SHALL WE DROP PLANS FOR CONCERT, OR WOULD YOU PREFER FOR REBECCA AND ME TO HOST AT SPASO ON 22ND OR 23RD?

2. RE BERNSTEIN LETTER, IT WAS DELIVERED TO FEDORENKO, BUT I HAVE NOT SEEN LATTER SINCE HE GOT IT, SO HAVE NO COMMENT TO RELAY. FEDORENKO DID CONFIRM TO ME ON TELEPHONE (BEFORE LETTER TRANSMITTED) THAT TRANSLATION CONTRACT HAD BEEN RECEIVED AND HE EXPRESSED PLEASURE THAT THIS HAD BEEN WORKED OUT.

3. THERE MAY WELL BE SOME ELEMENTS OF TRUTH IN ANALYSIS TO WHICH YOU REFERRED IN PARA 3, STATE 125364, BUT BASICALLY THIS SEEMS LINE SENIOR SOVIET OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED  
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TO PURVEY. IT STRIKES ME AS MOST POST-HOC RATIONALIZATION, WITH HEALTHY DOSE OF SELF-SERVING IMPLICATIONS, THAN REAL STORY. WHY SHOULD WE GIVE PARTICULAR CREDENCE NOW TO SUGGESTION THAT P. OPPOSED DETENTE WHEN WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED REPEATELY SINCE 1972 THAT LEADERSHIP "ABSOLUTELY UNITED" ON THIS ISSUE?

4. ECONOFF AND AGATT HAVE A MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY AFTERNOON TO TALK ABOUT THE FIRST UNCTAD PREPARATORY CONFERENCE ON COTTON (STATE 119870) WITH POLEZHAYEV, THE CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS ADMINISTRATION AT MFT. IS THERE ANY PARTICULAR BACKGROUND ON SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN INTERNATIONAL COTTON TRADE MATTERS THAT WE SHOULD KNOW BEYOND THEIR PAST PARTICIPATION IN IIC OR SPECIFIC POINTS THAT WE SHOULD MAKE TO POLEZHAYEV? (JOE STEVENSON AND BILL DAVIS OF FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE MAY KNOW.)

5. IN ABSENCE OF REPLY TO MOSCOW 7121 I ASSUME THAT CALL ON KORNIYENKO TO DISCUSS CONVENTIONAL ARMS SALES POLICY IS NOT DESIRED AT THIS TIME.

6. TIMERBAYEV CALLED MCNAMARA LATE THIS AFTERNOON TO PRESS FOR INFO ON "PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS" FOR CTB WORKING GROUP (MOSCOW 7557 AND 7560). THIS TIME, HE SPECIFICALLY INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF DEPARTMENT MAKING HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS. HE WAS OBVIOUSLY RATHER EMBARRASSED, AND AVOIDED ANY MENTION OF PNE DELEGATION'S RECEPTION HERE, BUT HIS THRUST WAS UNMISTAKABLE. IS THERE ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE? IN ANY EVENY, WE NEED SCHEDULE AND OTHER DETAILS ASAP.

7. RE LANGUAGE DESIGNATION FOR ADMIN COUNSELOR, OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT POSITION IS ALREADY DESIGNATED FOR S-2, R-2 SPEAKER. (PRESUMABLY WAIVER WAS OBTAINED FOR TRACY). IF THIS IS INCORRECT, WE WILL BE GLAD TO PROPOSE DESIGNATION, BUT PLEASE CONFIRM THAT OUR RECORD DOES NOT

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COINCIDE WITH DEPARTMENT'S. OURS IS BASED ON OM FROM PER/CDA/TL OF DECEMBER 16, 1975, SUBJECT: LANGUAGE DESIGNATED POSITIONS.  
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